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TRINIDAD FOREIGN MINISTER MAKES CHARGES AGAINST UNITED STATES

C3 12250 BOGOTA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN SPANISH 1745 GMT 31 JUL 73 C

(TEXT) PORT-OF-SPAIN--TRINIDAD TODAY ACCUSED THE UNITED STATES OF WANTING TO KEEP THE CARIBBEAN FOR ITSELF IN ORDER TO CONVERT IT INTO A NUCLEAR TEST AREA. MINISTER OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ERIC WILLIAMS CONTENDED THAT, THUS, THE UNITED STATES TRIES TO ACT LIKE FRANCE, WHICH USES ITS POSSESSIONS IN THE PACIFIC.

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WILLIAMS, WHO MENTIONED THE REFUSAL ON THE PART OF THE

UNITED STATES TO SIGN THE TREATY OF MEXICO IN 1967 MAKING
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO A DENUCLEARIZED ZONE, HELD THAT WASHING-
TON ADOPTED THIS ATTITUDE BECAUSE IT HAS A NUCLEAR BASE IN
PUERTO RICO.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE POST'S COMMENTS.	
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